NEW YORK HEEALD, STUEDAY, APRIL 11, 1863 TEIPLE FIRET

con. Protests were entered by them in the strongest management that course the government had pursued. Conduct of the employes was unexceptionable; an orest courred during the time the men were out of obsyment. Mr. James Green, the English Consul, including on the seizure taking place, tendered his good one, and the British steamer was despatched to Panama days before her time to course intelligence of the ure. The American Consul, H. Squire Cuttrell, and repeatedly to the Governor for some cause for seizure, but could obtain no answer. He has, death, communicated all the facts to the United these government. Immediately after the seizure the company's property all the merchants, ericans and others, at Greytown, or San Juan del Norte, e applied to by government to contribute to the war serious and others, at Greytown, or San Juan del Norto and the seed applied to by government to contribute to the was a seized. The Americans all reduced. No private property assist formpany was returned, on bonds being given that a property should be returned to the Nicarazuan gormment as soon as the pussengers were transferred. a filium of the company will be soon arranged, no ibt, as Mr. Randolph has arrived at Greytown from a York, with full powers te arrange with the governat, and no doubt the route will be in good condition rity. New steamers for the lake and river are to be in Nicarazua as soon as the difficulty with the government is settled.

riment is settled.

A company of emigrants (said to be free lovers), about enty-five in number, male and female, arrived in Nicargua about two months since, from New York, in a rooser. Their leader's name is Dr. Tyler. They have ampted to get a grant-of land from the Nicaraguan serament, but have been refused. They are new at sanda city. Dr. Tyer says there are five or six hund more of his company in New York, ready to come soons as an arrangement is made with the government. Nicaragua. Their prospect is not very good. The ser classes of Nicaragua are very anxious for foreign twention; but the higher class oppose this, as they have deverely by General Walker.

# CHARLESTON

Bombardment of Fort Sumter.

### REBEL ACCOUNTS

Smart Action Between Our Monitors and the Rebel Batteries on Tuesday Last.

Four Iron-Clads Engaged in the Morning.

THE IRONSIDES ASHORE BUT GOT OFF

Right Monitors and the Ironsides Engaged in the Afternoon.

Incessant Firing Concentrated on Fort Sumter.

The Ironsides and Reokuk Withdrawn at Four o'Clock P. M.

THE KEOKUK REPORTED SUNK.

WTENSE EXCITEMENT IN CHARLESTON.

The Rebel Iron-Clads Gone Down to Engage the Federals.

The Meniters and the Ironsides Inside the Bar on the 8th.

The Conflict Not Renewed on That Day.

THE NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

The Richmond Whig of Thursday, the 9th lost, has the following highly exciting intelli-THE ACTION OF TUESDAY.

CHARLESTON, April 7, 1863. The attack on Charleston commenced to-day. Four iren-clads out of seven in the Yankee fleet

The firing from the fleet and from Forts Sumand Moultrie and Morris Island was very

The Ironsides was hit, and she ran ashore, but

subsequently got off, and was taken out of At two o'clock in the afternoon eight Monitors

and the Ironsides opened a fire at a distance of three thousand yards—one mile and three-quar-At half-past two o'clock the firing on both

sides became incessant, and was kept up until eve o'clock, when it gradually diminished.

The fire of the fleet was concentrated on

The Ironsides and the Keckuk withdrew from the engagement at four o'clock, apparently disabled Intense excitement prevails in this city.

State and Chicora) have just gone out to take part in the fight. Our casualties are one boy killed and five

Our Monitors (the rebel iron-clads Palmetto

men badly wounded in Fort Sumter.

Reports from the other batteries have not yet come to band.

OPERATIONS ON WEDNESDAY. CHARLESTON, April 8, 1863. Seven turreted fren-clads and the New Iron-

sides are inside the bar. Twenty-two blockading vessels are off the

The Keckuk is supk on the beach off Morris There is no disposition on the part of the

ederals to renew the conflict.

THE REBEL VIEW OF THE MOVEMENT. [From the Petersburg (Va.) Express, April 8.] ore of an atlant on Charleston. These rumors were a

Sversified as numerous, but as they could not be trace they were not credited. Yesterday early more rumor commenced to circulate, and as the day were on the gained considerable credence. During the afternoon it three o'clock the Confederates had blown up one vessel with a torpedo, and sunk three others with our shore batteries. This, we have good reasons for stating, is whelly without foundation. We hear, however, from a source entitled to the fullest credit, that three of the enemy's vessels—the Ironsides, the Montauk, and another Monitor built iron-clad, name unknown—did attempt as assault upon Fort Sumter yesterday afternoon. The bom-bardment commenced at three o'clock, and up to five o'clock not a shot had struck the fort or fallen anywhere near it. As Fort Sumter comprises four acres of ground, and is surrounded by walls fifty or six-ty feet high, we must conclude that the Yankee crafts either took position at a great distance off, or else that they are supplied with very inexperienced gunners. It is not stated that the fort replied. We presume, however, that the affair is only an attempt to get the range of the guns of the fort and shore batteries, or else a mere feint to direct the attention of our forces, while the real point of attack will be slaewhere. Of course, General Beauregard is fully aware of the craftiness and cunning of the foe, and will be enabled to penetrate all of his subterfuges and counter act all of his contrivances. The Yankees will never give a fair fight if it be possible to gain undue advantage, it matters not what means they may employ.

THE UNION FLEET ENGAGED IN THE AT-

TACK UPON CHARLESTON. tached to Admiral Dupont's squadron, which, from their rate and armament, are likely to participate in the naval engagement now going on at Charleston. As we have not yet received any detailed news, it is almost impossible to give the names of officers who have been detached from non-participating vessels to swell the list of fighting me on board of those engaged.

THE IRON-CLADS,

NEW IRONSIDES—IRON-CLAD—FLAGGHIP.

Rear Admiral S. F. Dupont, commanding.
Captain G. R. P. Rogers, Captain of the Fleet.
Lieutenant S. W. Proston, Fing Lieutenant.
Commadore—Thos. Turner.
Lieutenant Commander—Geo. C. Belknap.
Lieutenant—Channander—Geo. C. Belknap.
Lieutenant—H. B. Robeson.
Surgeon—Marins Duvall.
Assistant Surgeons—W. T. Plant, Ed. Kerahaw.
Paymaster—A. W. Russell.
Marine Officers—First Lieutenant H. A. Bartlett, Second
Lieutenant J. B. Young.
Acting Mastert—Geo. W. Dornett, J. M. Skillings, J. M.
Sulter.

Butler.

Acting Master's Mates—C. W. Howard, G. H. Bradly, S. S. Hand, T. E. Harvey, B. F. Morris, Robert Shepherd.

Engineers—Chief, H. Newell: First Assistant, N. B. Little; Second Assistants, O. H. Lackey, R. L. Harris: Third Assistants, E. Battelle, H. C. Beckwith, W. S. Wells.

Boatmont—The S. Bennett.

Gunners—Cherles-Stuart, R. J. Will.

Sailmaker—J. B. Birdsall.

MONTAUK—IRON-CLAD.

Captain—John Lorimer Worden.
Leutenant Commander—Chas. H. Cashman.
Acting Maker—Pierre Giraud.
Assistant Surpon—Samuel N. Brayton.
Paymater—Samuel F. Browne.
Acting Enigne—Isaac J. McKinley, Geo. H. Avery.
Engineer—Second (in charge), Thomas A. Stophen.
Robert Potts, Win. D. Forbes, D. P. McCortney, George M.

PASSAIC-IRON-CLAD. Captain—Percival Prayton.

Lieutenand Commender—Joseph N. Miller.

Acting Master—Samuel Huns?

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Acting Master—Henry H. Baker, Loring G. Emerson.

Assistant Surg-on—Edgar Holden.

Assistant Paymater—Jesse P. Woodbury.

Engineers—First Assistant, George S. Bright; Second

Assistant, Henry W. Roble; Third Assistante, William A.

Drippe, Jon. Hoopes; Acting Third Assistante, John Hawkins.

Coust Pilots-Benjamin R. Dorey, R. B. K. Murpby. Cour Pilots—Benjamin R. Borey, R. B. R. Burpay.

WERMA WREN—HRON-CLAD.

Captain—John Rodgers.

Bi-utenant Commander—L. H. Newman.

Anistant Surgeon—E. M. Steln.

Acting Assistant-Paymonder—J. H. Pynchen.

Acting Assistant-Paymonder—J. C. Cox, S. Baller.

Engineer—Second Assistants, J. H. Bailey, D. Hardie;

Third Assistants, H. W. Merian, Aug. Mitchell.

NAHANT—IRON-CLAD.
Commonder—John Downes.
Licutemari Commonder—D. H. Harnong.
Acting Master—Win. W. Carter.
Acting Ensigns—Charles E. Gark, Charles C. Richer.
Assistant Surgeon—C. E. Stedman.
Assistant Paymanter—Edwin Putnam.
Engineers—First Assistants, F. J. Lovering; Second.
stant, T. H. Bordley; Third Assistants, Abram Michi

Commander—D. Ammen.
Lieutenant—H. Erben, Jr.
Assistant Surgeons—W. L. Wheeler.
Acting Assistant Paymanter—D. Leach, Jv.
Acting Master—W. Hamilton.
Acting Engine—J. T. Rose, H. Klosppel.
Engineers—First Assistant, B. B. 187 Wharton; Second
Assistant, J. B. Carpenter; Third Assistant, J. W. Huxley,
G. C. Cook.

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CATSKILL—IRON-CLAD.

Commander—George Rogers.
Lieutenant Commander—Chas. C. Carpenter.
Acting Assistant Paymastr—J. P. Woodbury.
Acting Busins—
Beond Assistant Engineers—Geo. D. Emmon
Chief); Geo. H. White, J. B. Lidars and N. B. Bu

NANTUCERT-IRON-CLAD. Donald N. Fairfax. in Lieutenant—L. A Beardslee.
ing Assistant Paymonter—Levi L. Brigham.
istant Surgeon—A. Minot Weld. ing Master—William H. Maree, ing Kaster—William H. Maree, ing Kastens—J. F. Othe and Colin C. Sta pineer—J. K. Smedler

Enginer J. K. Smedbey.

ROBUK—IRON-CLAD.

Commander—A. C. Rhind.

Executive Officer—Moreau Forrest.

Acting Paymaster—John Read.

Surpeon—two. D. Sloyum.

Acting Ensigns—Wm. H. Bulks, Alex. McIntosh, Inrael ingineers—Chief, Wm. H. King; Assistants, John H. ot, Wm. H. Smith, J. M. Emanuel, W. H. G. West.

STEAM SLOOPS AND GUNBOATS. STEAM SLOOPS AND GUNBOATS.
POWHATAN—STEAM SLOOP.
Commodore—S. W. Godon.
Lieutenant Commonier—E. P. Williams.
Lieutenante—A. R. McNair, F. J. Higginson.
Surpon—H. O. Mayo.
Asticant Surpon—E. D. Payne.
Paymaster—L. J. Brown.
Pirst Lieutenant Maries—P. C. Pope.
Acting Masters—J. Oglevie, L. Baker, C. R. Wilkins,

Enrige C. P. Walters. Master's Mater W. S. Curvis, W. Frost, C. vland.

Saginers—Chief, J. A. Grier First Assistant, H. B. soc. Second Assistant, H. Brown: Third Assistant, W. Gladding, R. A. Wright, G. W. Carrick, John Franklin.

Cutabert.

Boatswain-W. Long. Gunner-G. W. Omens Rodrier—G. W. Univ. Curpenter—A. Chick. Curpenter—W. S. L. Brayton.

Satimater—W. S. L. Brayer

Coptain—W. R. Taylor

Leutenant—M. B. St. Venant, E. T. Brower.

Sus geon—S. F. Cotte

Antitant Praymoder—J. S. Woolson.

Acting Marieri—J. W. Congdon, J. K. Crosby.

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Harriman, B. F. Jacobs.

Envisioner—Chief. J. S. Albert; Second Assistant, P. A.

sanik; Third Assistants, J. R. McNary, F. L. Cooper, G.

V. Gedden, J. H. Harmony.

Bostnevin—H. P. Grace

Gunner—B. Roberts

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CANADAGUA - STRAW SLOOP.
In-J. F. Green.
J. J. Cornwell.
In-J. Ludl. Manley.
James Suddards
ler.-C. H. Edgridge.
Gater.-S. Hall.
B. H. Ports

gmaster—C. B. Andl.
cong Master—S. Hall.
sign—B. H. Porter.
ting Master's Matter—A. F. Eldridge, I. N. Pesse, W.
Incons. C. S. McCarty.
spineers—Chief, W. S. Stain; First Assistant, H. C.
Jor: Second Assistant, G. W. Rodgers; Third Assistants,
Jackson, A. Hedrick, P. Miller, E. S. Phillippi.
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enter—E. N. Whitehouse, saler—D. Bruce. PAWNES—STRAM SLOOP, nonder—G. B. Baich. Impact—F. M. Bunce. sen—W. T. Hord. dent Paymanier—F. R. Curtis. sp Millers—J. C. Champion, J. P. Lindsay, sp Millers—J. C. Champion, J. P. Lindsay, sp Ensign—Thomas More. sp Master's Mates—U. J. Bagers, J. G. Bache, A. J.

Engineers First Assistant, A. Adamsen; Third Assist 16, H. D. Siliman, B. Bunce, W. J. Clark, Jr., G. G. romahan, Arthur Price, Bodinesin—James Brown. Beatmann-James Brown.
SERAGO GUNBOAT.
Commander—John C. Beaumont.
Lieuteannel. H. M. Bro.
Assistant Surgeon—J. P. Quinn.
Acting Assistant Paymaster—E. G. Thorn.
Acting Master—T. M. Gardiner, W. C. Mallard, J. P.
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Acting Enrign—C. B. Dorrance.
Acting Matter's Mate—E. D. Martin.
Engineers—First Assistant

CONNEMADOR GUNBOAT. Commander—Earl Worden.
Lieucenant—B. J. Cromwell.
Artic tht "urpoon—J. J. Allingham.
Payenater—Goo. Lawrence.
Acting Masters—J. W. Stapleford, J. L. Lee.
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Acting Masters Maker—J. H. Wainwright, A. R. Buabord, John Brown, G. H. French.
Baginters—Second Assistant, L. J. Allen; Third Assistats, C. P. Gardider, P. H. Hendrickson, J. Lloyd, J. W.
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JAMES ADGER.—SIPE-WHEEL.

mmander—The mas H. Patterson.

cling Assistant Paymaster—W. W. T. Greenway.

cling Master—R. O. Patterson.

dung Ensignes—C. F. Ketth, J. T. Chadwell.

cling Master's Mates—W. W. Reed, G. Conch, Engineers First Assistant, E. A. Whipple: Second Assistant, J. Curren; Third Assistants, A. McTurk, W. Moran, W. R. Nutz.

Acting Gunner—J. H. Pennington.

HUBON—GUNBOAT.

Lieutenant Commander—G. A. Stevens.

Autietan Surgeon—C. H. White.

Acting Assistant Paymaster—Chas. Stewart,

Acting Masters—J. W. Gill, W. H. Baldwin, W. A. Acting Master's Mates-P. O'Connor, S. Delano, J M. Blake, W. Henderson. Blake, W. Henderson.

Engineers—Acting First Assistant, W. Craig; Third
Assistants, S. McIntyre, J. P. Kelly J. Lowe; Acting
Third Assistant, F. C. Russell.

Lieutenant Commander—William Gibson.
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Lieutenant and Executive Office—T. B. Bowen.
Assistant Surgoos—J. H. Macomber.
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Astistant Paymater—Goorge W. Beaman.
Acting Masters—J. H. Rogers, Henry Vaughan, G. WalEngineers—Second Assistant ngineers Second Assistant, J. W. De Kraft; Third istants, H. H. Burnitt, Thomas Lynch, R. Thomas Ben-Master's Mates—James G. Paine, Edwd. W. Fisko, C. E. Calver.

iver. Captaints Clerk—John M. Baker. Paymaster's Steward—Thos. Purcell. Surgeon's Steward—Chas. V. Roberts WISSAUICKON GUNBOAT, Lieutenant Commander—J. L. Bavis.
Lieutenant—S. Casey.
Austant Surgeon—H. Ackley.
Acting Assistant Paymaster—A. W. Kelsey.
Acting Masters—G. W. Parker, T. S. Steel.
Acting Masters—Halborn.
Acting Masters' Mates—R. B. Crapo, G. E. Suster, A. L.
endiston.

Engineers-First Assistant, W. F. Riley; Third Assistate, J. J. Newton, C. A. Stuart, H. J. Tarr. MARBLEMEAD—GUNBOAT. MARBLEMEAD—GUNBOAT.
Licutemant Commander—R. W. Scott.
Licutemant—G. C. Romey.
Assistant Surgeon—R. H. Kidder.
Acting Assistant Paymaster—J. H. Mulford.
Acting Masters—G. Martin, B. Allen.
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Acting Masters—B. G. Gross, B. O. Low, G. F.
Inslow, Harry West.
Engineers—Socond Assistant, C. Fisher; Third Assistants, W. L. Nicholis, J. Long, H. W. Bulkley.

FLAMBEAU—GUNBOAT AND DESPATCH VESSEL Lieutenant Commander—John H. Upshur. Lieutenant Commander—John H. Upshur. Lieutenant—F. R. Smith. Acting Assistant Surgeon—J. R. Lawton. Acting Assistant Paymanter—F. V. D. Horton. Acting Master—W. B. Sheldon, A. S. Megathin, W.

tempton.

Acting Ensign—G. Cottwell.

Acting Master's Male—J. F. Burrows.

Engineers—Scoad Assistant, Alex. Gillanders; Thirdsaint, W. Richardson.

Captain's Cierk—H. D'Estemanville.

COMMODORE M'DONOUGH-GUNBOAT. Lieutenne Commander—G. Boon.
Acting Assistant Surgeon—J. W. Gibson.
Acting Assistant Paymanter—J. F. Quintard.
Acting Ensigns—W. Konpp. J. A. Buxton.
Acting Master's Mates—J. R. Winn, J. W. Goodwin, D. Engineers Acting Third Assistants, T. O. Reynolds, J. Booth, S. S. Hetrick.

T. Booth, S. S. Hetrick.

\*\*MEMPHIB—GUNBOAT.\*\*

\*\*Licutenant Commander—P. G. Watmaugh.\*\*

\*\*Acting Ansistant Surgeon—S. B. Brown.\*\*

\*\*Acting Assistant Payanater—W. C. Foeter.\*\*

\*\*Acting Musice—C. A. Curtis.\*\*

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\*\*Acting Musice"s Mais—W. P. Dickinson.

\*\*Engineers—First Assistants, J. L. Peake: Second Assistants, C. H. McCarty. Third Assistants, H. L. Churchill, C. Hardwick, J. B. Valle.

ardwick, J. H. Vaile.

Acting Master—C. J. Van Alstine.

Acting Assistant Surpeon—J. S. Coben.

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Acting Master—G. P. Lee.

Acting Master—G. P. Lee.

Acting Engines—G. R. Pauly, J. Trust.

Acting Master's Mates—G. E. Short, M. Baire, G. M.

MORTAR VESSELS.
C. P. WILLIAMS—BOMB VESSEL.
Iching Master—S. N. Freeman.
ching Master's Mates—F. W. Towne, J. Gum, F. E. PARA—BOMB VERBEL. sater—E. C. Furber. sater's Mates—E. Ryan, J. McDonough,

NONFOLK PACKET—BOMB VESCHL.

Acting Ensign—G. W. Wood.

Assistant Nurgeon—A. B. Judson.

Acting Assistant Paymaster—T. Merritt.

Acting Master's Mater—L. Baruce, J. Kingstey, T. Ryan TENDERS AND DESPATCH BOATS.

DAFFODIL DESTATCH BOAT.

Acting Master-E. M. Baldwin.

Acting Master's Mates—F. Such, S. C. Bishop.

Empineer—J. G. Rossman. COLUMBIAR DESPATOR BOAT.

ing Eneign—C. S. Flood.
ing Maler's Mater—E. Daly, F. W. Sanborn.
ingers—Second Assistant, W. H. Ogden; Third Asite, E. H. Lawrence, S. C. Clark. Acting Musign—C. I Acting Master's Ma DANDELION-DESPATCH BOAT.

THE KEOKUK. The report from Charleston is that the Keokuk was dis bled on Tuesday, and on the following day was sunk or the beach off Morris Isla



The Keckuk was designed by Mr. C.W. Whitney, of this city, and was built at the yard of J. S. Underhill & Co., Dry Dock Iron Works. She was launched in the early t winter, and sailed from New York on the 11th of March, arriving at Port Royal on the 26th. |The fol-

is a description of the vessel:— Keeksk was not only a two turreted vessel, but was eing one hundred and fifty-nine feet six inches over all, feet six inches, and drew nine feet of water. Her sides sloped inward at an angle of thirty seven degrees, to shed the enemy's shot.

four feet below the water line. The horizontal deck was five feet above the water line. Her propulsive power was furnished by two propellers and two engines of five hun-dred horse power. The hull of the vessel was constructed of half-inch rolled iron. She had three keelsons running the whole length of the vessel, and two fore and aft bulkheads, of the outer skin being pierced by shot. In addition to these she had two bulkheads—one forward and one aft— which could be filled with water, so as to settle the ressel minutes and pumped out in forty minutes. In using the ram, should the versel be wrenched so as to cause leak-age, the compariment alluded to was to preserve the ves-sel from sinking. The vessel was submerged one foot by

The turness were immovable, the gun revolving to the three ports pierced in each turnet. They weighed each forty tone, and were built of a groundwork of half inch rolled plates, like the hull, covered with hars of iron four rolled plates, like the holl, covered with hars of iron four inch thick, standing edgeways, placed one and a quarter inches apart, the interstices being filled with yellow pine.

Over all this were three plates, each five-eighths of an inch thick—the whole structure boiled together with one and one eighth inch bolts, with countersunk heads, one foot apart. The turrets, therefore, were six and a quarter inches thick. Each turret had three ports, with heavy shutters, working in two haives-one port on each side an shutters, working in two haives—one port on each side and one forward and aft. Each turret contained an eleven inch gun, carrying a one hundred and eighty pound shot. These guns moved on revolving slides, which were placed on a floor twenty inches below the level of the deck, thus giving a greater height to the turrets, which were twenty feer in diameter at the base, fourteen feel at the top—being cone-shaped—and eight feet eight inches high. The were additionally supported within by bars of five by one inch iron set edgeways, lifteen inches apart; and the ports were made sufficiently large to give the guns ten degrees vertical and eight degrees fateral range.
The rudder and preseller were guarded by an ove

little vessel carried one hundred men all told, and had espacity to her two magazines for two hundred eleven-nich shot, one hundred and fifty eleven-inch abell, with ligh shot, one hundred and fifty eleven-inch shell, with shraphed and canister, small ammunition and powder in proportion. She appeared admirably calculated for river work, her light draught and early guidance, by means of two propoliers, fitting her especially for intricate navigation. Her builder was confident that, though in some respects sovel in construction, she would be found as shotproof and serviceable as any; and the care and completeness with which he applied every precaution, and multiplied means for offence and defence, gave hopes of a mest means for offence and defence, gave hopes of a mest efficient boat. Mr. Whitney was one of the earliest to

qualities of iron, gave his opinions weight.

The ventilation of the vessel had been carefully attended to, and the accommodations for the officers and crewwere of an excellent character.

In many points the details of this vessel were new and interesting. For instance, the entire lower portion of the sides of the turrets could be thrown open to admit light and, there being a passage on each side of the verse communicating from one turret to the other, a constant circulation of air was kept up without artificial means although such means were provided, and which would, in the opinion of many, have rendered the vessel, in point of

THE COMMANDER OF THE PROPER. Lieutenant Commander Alexander C. Rhind, the com-ander of the Keekuk,, is a native of the State of New Yerk, but was appointed from Alabama, and is now a citizen of Minnesota. He entered the United States naval service on the 3d of September, 1838. He received his present commission on the 16th or July, 1862. He has been attached to Admiral Dupont's squadron since its organization, and is pre-eminently a man of fight. His courage, bravery and judgment are very marked, and if the Keckuk is really disabled no one will feel the blow mixteen years. He was unemployed seven years, and or twenty-four years in the service

THE REBEL IRON-CLADS AT CHARLESTON. Charleston has in its barbor two fron-clad gunboats or rams—the Palmetto State and the Chicora. The Palmetto State is the larger of them, mounting five heavy guns—two in each broadside and one at the bow. The Chicora is much smaller, and only carries three guns—one in each broadside and one at the bow. These two vessels are the ones which made a raid on our blockading fleet off Charleston on the Sist of January, crippling the Keystone State and Mercedita; but on that occasion neither of them showed any extraordinary powers as a ram. They resamble the Merrimac, which seems to have been the pattern vessel of the Confederate navy. The armaments of these versels are first class and of a heavy calibre; but it is not proposed on the part of the rebel Navy De-partment that they should attack our vessels, but aid in ble them to go over shoal spots and take up advantageous positions, so as to annoy our wooden vessels at the time of our offensive operations. It has been said that they are simply huge floating barns, covered with thin armor; but we do not discredit any abilities which may be due t a vessel bearing the name of tron-clad; but we are cont ent that they are no match for our Ericsson batteries.

The following is the list of officers of their two iron clade — CONFEDRATE STATES IRON-CLAD PALMETTO STATE.

Bray Officer—D. N. Ingraham. commanding squadron.

Lieutenant Commander—John Rutledge.

Lieutenant—W. H. Parker, Jr., Philip Porcher, G. S.

Shyrick, Robt. J. Brown.

Lieutenant W. H. F.
Lieutenant W. H. F.
Lieutenant W. H. F.
Lieutenant W. H. J.
Shyrok, Robt. J. Brown.

Master—F. T. Chew.

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Surgeon—A. M. Lynah,
Paymaster—John S. Banks.

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Paymaster—Chief. W. T. Jordan; Assistants, J. J. Darcy,

Layler, W. T. Hamilton, C. Carey. hmgineeris—Chie.
N. Ahern, J. C. Johnson,
Midshymen—C. F. Levier, W. T. Hamilton, C. Carey,
Buduson—Thomas Wilson,
Gunner—G. M. Thompson,
Pilots—G. D. Gladdon, Andrew Johnson

COMPEDERATE STATES IRON-CLAD CHICORA.

19 toth J. R. Tucker.

10 tother G. H. Hier, W. T. Classell, W. H. Wall. Cay delever. J. H. Hier, W. T. Classell, W. H. Matter.—A. M. Mason.

Acting Master.—John A. Payne.

Passed Mitshipman.—Joseph P. Claybrooke.

Midshipman.—H. H. Booot, P. Saunders, Roger Pinckney.

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Pilots—Thomas Payne, James Aldert.

THE REBEL BATTERIES Battery No. 15, Ashley river
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Grand total..... WHAT THE REBELS THINK OF THEIR DE-

FENCES. The Richmond Hequirer of a recent date thus describes Charleston and its defences. Coming, as it does, from a rebel writer, some allowance is due to some parts of the

Charleston is situated on a low, level point of land, at the junction of Cooper and Achiey rivers. No portion of the city is more than twenty feet above the tide; so that upon approaching it from the harbor its buildings and the beautiful spires of its churches seem to rise directly from the water. The Cooper river yours the Achiey at a right angle from the north, and the continuation of the latter river, running nearly due east, forms the lower harbor and bay of Charleston, which widens gradually from two to five miles to its mouth, distant about ten miles from the city. On the opposite side of the Cooper river, where it debouches into the harbor, a short mile from the city, its Castle Pinckney, a small work, but mounting some heavy guns. Nearly opposite, on the southern side of the harbor, on James' island, about two miles some heavy guns. Nearly opposite, on the southern side of the harbor, on James' island, about two miles stand, is Fort Johnson. About four miles from the city, midway between Sullivan's and James' islands, as fort Sunster, and directly northward of it, on Sullivan's listand, at the distance of two thousand yards, is Fort Moultrie. Between these two forts is the only obsent for vessels to approach the city. Fort Sumster has three tiers of guns, and under the old government ranked as a fortification of the second class, in the extent of the works and the attempth of its armament but it was constructed in a very superior manner, and was supposed to be involuerable at the time to the effects of any naval ord nance then in use. Its reduction by South Carolina, in 1861, was effected by but shot from Fort Moultrie setting fire to the wooden roots of the capacious buildings alletted for efficers' quarters, by which Anderson and his garrison were internily roasted out. Care has been takey, in the reconstruction of the buildings, to avoid all chinoe for a regeltion of south a taptecus. Fort Moultrie is a work of inferior rank; but it is admirably situated for dealing offensive blows upon an approachi

shell of his fron-claids.

Whatever undertainty prevails as to the ability of fortifications to resist the impetus of the formidable projectines harled by the federal gunbeats, there can be no
doubt that use invulnerability of the intrivided monsters
will be tested on this occasion by a severe ordest thus
any to which they have been nevertore sub-cated, and
Admiral Juponts will find a different entertainment in
running the gamillet of Forts Somer and Montrie, and
Johnson and Finckney, from that formished by the miserrable abortion, misconsed battaries, of Fort Royal, so
pregnant of diagrace and diameter to South Carolina.

# THE NEWS IN WASHINGTON.

duced by our forces at Charleston. This, I am told, is admitted by the robel pickets on the Rappahaunock. WARRINGTON, April 10-Midnight.

Meching official has been received to day in reference t

affairs at Charleston, the desputches from the Ric papers of yesterday being the latest intelligence that has eached here from any source. It is believed that ther leiegrams are mutilations of official despatches.

The anxiety for further news has superseded everything confident of success, but this confidence is not shared by information there is upon the subject.

Reports from General Hooker's Headquarters.

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, April 10, 1863.

The intelligence from Charleston is still meagre. Noth ing has been received as yet concerning the success of ou

#### NEWS FROM VICKSBURG.

Rebel Reports of Operations in Front of the City.

The Levee Cut and the Water Let in on the Old Union Camping Ground.

# Hudson.

Banks' Fleet Opened on Port

The Rebel Stores at Bayu Sara Destroyed,

The Richmond Whig of 9th inst. contains the following VICKEBURG, Miss., April 7, 1868 esterday all the tents were struck.

Four large transports have gone up the river loaded with troops.

The enemy have cut the levee and turned the water

nto their old camping ground. JACKSON, Miss., April 7, 1863. Farragut, with three vessels, is above Port Hudson. le signalled the lower fleet, but none have gone down

the river yet. Vicksburg will be attacked this week.

The federals have contracted their lines at Memphis The Hartford landed at Bayou Sara this morning and lestroyed the government stores.

The lower fleet has opened fire, lying out of reach of

Dangerous Position of Admiral Farragust.

(From the Petersburg (Va.) Express, April 8.1

A Vicksburg correspondeat, writing under date of March 28, seems to think that Farragut's two vessels, run between Port Hudsen and Vicksburg, on the Mesissippi, stand a very good chance of falling into our hands. God grant that they may. This correspondent writes.—One of these days an eye-opener will be presented to Commodore Farragut's two vessels below. But little is known; and less said about certain preparations going on which will shortly develop to the great disgust of the Yankees, and somebody stands in great danger of peliting hart. The long siletic and appetred limitarity from danger of the Hartford and Atherose below will all be explained to the footree of time, and I have reason to be love that it will be greatly to our advantage. The gunboat which got below on Wednesday morning in a sinking condition, and which has since been reported sunk, is still to be seen, and is, no doubt, partly under, but has not yet settled in deep water. He will be a total less and some arrangement ought to be made by our officers to prevent the enemy from getting her armament of, which will, no doubt, be attempted, and may possibly be accomplished by the Albatross unless we plast a bettery opposite within range of the wreck. Commodore Farragut shups the lower batteries, and cannot come up to the mostly of the canal, and the boate cannot venture down; consequently the enemy are not able to prosecute the work.

# **NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.**

OUR RELATION WITH ENGLAND.

The statement that Secretary Seward has directed any menace of war with England to be communicated to that government by Mr. Adams is a very great anaggration of the fact. Mr. Seward has persistingly demonstrated firmly and with proper warmth, against the use of British ports and shippards for the construction of privateers to prey upon American commerce, but he has not yet gone beyond such remonstrances, and has especially avoided any warlike threats. The conduct of the English in this respect has long been the subject of serious diplomatic conference, which has not lately assumed any new aspect. OUR RELATION WITH ENGLAND.

NO RECRUITING IN IRRLAND. It has been ascertained from an official source that no permission has been authorized to obtain recruits in Ire-land, as alloged by the Liverpool Albion.

SITUATION OF COMMODORE PARRAGET'S PLEET. No fears are entertained at the Navy Department the mafety of Bear Admiral Farragut, with his first of sels of the rebels could hide securely up the Red river, but it is not supposed that they have any formidable EXAMINATION OF PACKAGES SENT TO HOOKER'S

Every package going bence to the Army of the Potomas is now subject to rigid inspection by an officer appointed for the purpose. This is in pursuance of a recent order from General Hooter to prevent abuses heretofore pracused by the army purveyors, who have made use of

REPEDITIONS OF COMMANDER GILLIS.

Rear Admiral Lee forwards to the Navy Departs duplicates of a report, dated April 2, from Lieutenant Commander Gillie, commanding the United States steamer Commodore Morris, of his operations in the Ware river, in which he received necessary assistance from Gen. Keyes in destroying 2,200 or 2,300 bushels of grain intended for received information from Lieutenant Commander Gillis of his return from another expedition, inserhich be cap

THE ATTACKS ON ADMIRAL DARLGREN. The mercanary attacks in the radical organ upon Rear Admiral Dabigron have been assigned as the reason of his request to be placed on sea duty; but no intention is en-tertained by the government of transferring him from a position which he has won by distinguished public ser-rice, and where he is eminently useful.

Lieutenant James A. Dovie on the 7th of March gave portant orders sent to that city have failed to reach him DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

Victor Emanuel's government, is now visiting Washing ton. He has been the recipient of distinguished attention INTERNAL REVENUE STAMPS. The following new varieties of Internal Revenue stamps have been prepared, and orders for them can be filled — mediately—Foreign exchange, \$1 30, \$4 60 and \$1 inland exchange, \$2 50 and \$3 50; mortgage, No new stamps of small denominations in been issued for promiseory notes since the characteristics of the color of March 5. In all case

menced by the collectors for the recovery of the penalt; provided in the Excise law. SERBNADE TO JAMES T. BRADY. Preparations are on foot to give a grand screende to Hon. James T. Brady on Monday next, when he is to de

in the rates made by the act of March A. In all case

liver a Union speech here. THE SIGUX INDIANS.

The President is not inclined to countenance further executions of the Sioux Indians flow held as prisoners on

account of manuacres of whites in Minnesota. It is he. lieved that the previous executions, with the removal of the tribes from Minnesota, ought to appears the wrath of

Henry Baker has been appointed Special Agent of the Post Office Department for California and Oregon, vice Charles Watrous, removed.

Superintendent of the Mint, and Samuel J. Budge and H. M. Miller, Appraisors at San Francisco. The communities for Mr. Low. as Collector of the Port, has not wet been

IMPORTANT FROM NORTH CAROLINA

General Foster in a Critical Situation.

Union Batteries on Hill's Point Captured.

Our Gunboats and Transports Repulsed.

THE STEAMER LOUISIANA SUNK GEN. POSTER REFUSES TO SURRENDER.

It is Thought He Can Hold Out.

The steamer Emelie, from Newbern, N. C., has arrived

assengers.

One vessel had reached General Foster almos the rebels had surrounded his camps.

Two of our gunbouts, the Hunchback and the South

field, had for some days been stationed just below the rebol battery, and had kept the rebels busy in replying to

arrived, and were about starting up to the ieneral Foster.

Land reinforcements were also on their way to rein General Foster, but none had reached Washington at last

could hold out some seven or eight days from the date of the sailing of the Emelie, as communication, by means of small boats, had been had with him during the slege. The situation of General Foster was, however, critical and everything depended on succor reaching him quickly, as the rebel force was very heavy.

OTHER ACCOUNTS. It is stated that the rebei force on the other side of the Blackwater were under marching orders on the 8th met, with two days' cooked rations and four days' rations besides, unprepared. A force of Union cavalry and ar-tillery, under General Bodge, are out for the purpose aring the-detached robel force in that vicinity of capturing the-detached rebel force in that vicinity.
When last heard from, which was at noon on Thursday.

had taken some prisoners. The reports from North Carolina, via Edenton state that Washington, N. C., had been burned, but by whom was not stated. The vessels sent from Newbern with rethat city.

they had met the enemy, had skirmished with them, and

In the direction of Franklin the rebels had greatly trengthened their pickets and outposts, and has advanced their cayalry videttes. This news was brought from that post.

(From the Righmond Dispatch, April 9.
We have news from Washington, N. C., as late as Sunday. Our troops have captured the every's batteries at HBPs, situated on the banks of Tar river, seven miles below the town, which position gives us an open field an

fair fight with the Yankee shipping. Two gunboats, followed by several large transports loaded with troops from Newbern to reinforce Washington, attempted to run our blockade at Hill's Point on Friday, when they were fired upon by our batteries, and so hadly when they were nred upon by our batteries, and so hadly damaged as to be forced to put back. They could not pass our guns, and at last accounts the enemy were land-ing troops below our works at Hill's Point.

In the attempt to go by the steamer Louislana was sunk:

by our guns. There are about two thousand regrees in Washington, whom the enemy tried to get out, but

women and children to leave that place: so General it is presumed will shell the town.

IMPORTANT FROM TENNESSEE.

Severe Battle Between the Rebels Under Van Dorn and the Unionists Under General Granger.

The Enemy Retreat Leaving Their Dead on the Field.

Ac.,

General Van Dorn's whole rettel force attacked General' Granger to-day at Franklin. After severe fighting for two bours, the rebels retreated, leaving their dead on the field. The canualties on either side are not yet

rille and Chattanoogs Railroad was attacked by a rebelforce not less than two hundred strong. Twelve or fif-

toes of the train guard were killed and wounded. The train was destroyed and toe track tern up. It is reported that a robel force also attacked a train on he Louisville road and ran them off the track. Two hundred and twenty-five rebel prisoners left here

MEWS FROM FORTRESS MONROF.

Expedition to Mobjack Bay-Arrival of the Ninth Vermont-Rebei Prisoners

The flag of truce boat Robert Morris, in charge of Capt. Risbee, of the Ninth Vermont, left this morning for City Point with about five hundred rebei prisoners; also the Nelly Pentz, with nearly the same number

The Ninth Vermont regiment have arrived here, and

Dr. Huntington, Assistant Surgeon Perited States Army for some time past in charge of the post heapit here, has been ordered to report to General Rosecrans. The men under his charge while here have presented him with a valuable set of stiver goblets and a finit glass An expedition left Yorktown last Tuesday for Mobjack Bay, and ran up Wyre river, where they remained that day, took two contrabands, and next day proceeded no North river, where they found two planters, who took rearance from the woods; but, on seeing the new gunbus which accompanied the expedition,